

## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

What is claimed is:

1-10. (canceled)

11. (canceled)

12. (currently amended) The termination according to claim [[1]] 22, wherein a plurality of said strands are ~~each~~ anchored in their respective holes in the same [plates] one said receiving body, ~~so that the plurality of strands are anchored in a socket~~ and said respective holes are arranged in at least one ring around the center of said receiving body.

13. (currently amended) The termination according to claim [[1]] 12, wherein each said hole tapers inward in the direction toward the tension member.

14. (currently amended) The termination according to claim [[1]] 22, ~~wherein it comprises at least two~~ said at least one receiving body comprising first and second receiving bodies ~~sockets, a first socket and a second socket, which are joined together, where~~ said holes in said second receiving body are arranged in at least one ring around the center of said second receiving body, and the first ~~socket~~ receiving body ~~has a smaller diameter than the ring around the center of said second socket receiving body, allowing at least one of the strands secured in the second socket receiving body to extend beyond the first socket receiving body.~~

15. (canceled)

16. (currently amended) The termination according to claim [[5]] 23, wherein each hole tapers inward in the direction toward the tension member.

17. (currently amended) The termination according to claim [[5]] 23, wherein a slip agent is applied to the ~~walls~~ wall of each hole, so that the ~~hardenable~~ hardened mass is prevented from adhering to the ~~walls~~ wall of the hole.

18. (currently amended) The termination according to claims [[5]] 23, ~~wherein a tightening screw is connected to the second socket~~ a plurality of said holes are arranged in at least one ring around the center of at least one of said receiving bodies.

19. (currently amended) The termination according to claim [[5]] 23, wherein ~~at least one of the ends~~ end of at least one of the strands secured in the second ~~socket~~ receiving body is [[are]] accessible at a surface of the second ~~socket~~ receiving body opposite the tension member such that there is access to an optical fiber in the strand ~~and that the necessary connecting equipment of the optical fiber can be placed above the second socket~~.

20-21. (canceled)

22. (New) A termination of strands in a tension member, comprising:

said strands comprising fibers selected from the group consisting of carbon fibers, aramid fibers, and glass fibers, and having a lower shear force and durability than steel;

a transitional zone in said tension member where said strands are spread apart;

at least one receiving body;

each said strand in said transitional zone inserted into the narrow end of a respective conical hole in said at least one receiving body and fixed in relation to the hole by a hardened mass; and

the wall of each said hole having a slip agent applied thereto such that said hardened mass is prevented from adhering to said wall.

23. (New) A termination of strands in a tension member wherein each strand comprises a plurality of fibers, comprising

- a transitional zone in said tension member in which said strands spread apart;
- at least two receiving bodies;
- each said strand inserted into a respective hole in one of said at least two receiving bodies and fixed in relation to its respective hole by a hardened mass;
- said at least two receiving bodies joined together in a concentric relationship via adjoining surfaces; a first said receiving body having a smaller diameter than a second said receiving body, thereby allowing at least one of the strands secured in the second receiving body to extend beyond the first receiving body; and
- a retention screw for supporting said termination, said retention screw extending from a central bore in said second receiving body.

24. (New) A termination of strands in a tension member in which the strands consist of a plurality of fiber filaments, comprising;

- a transitional zone in said tension member wherein said strands are spread apart;
- a first receiving body and a second receiving body, said first receiving body having a smaller diameter than said second receiving body;
- each said strand in said transitional zone inserted into the narrow end of a respective hole in one of said first and second receiving bodies,
- said first and second receiving bodies joined together such that at least one of the strands secured in the second receiving body extends beyond the first receiving body;
- a sleeve-shaped tightening screw, said tightening screw connected to the second receiving body by a retention screw extended from a central bore in said second receiving body and a nut thereon.

25. (New) A termination of strands in a tension member that includes a plurality of fiber filaments gathered into one or more strands in which the filaments run close together, comprising:

a transitional zone in said tension member in which said strands spread apart;  
at least two receiving bodies, including a first receiving body having a smaller diameter than a second receiving body, said first and second receiving bodies joined together with prestressed bolts which extend through a through bore in said second receiving body and down into a threaded blind hole in said first receiving body;

said strands in said transitional zone inserted into respective holes in one of said at least two receiving bodies and fixed in relation to their holes by a hardened mass, wherein a plurality of said strands extend beyond said first receiving body and are anchored in their respective holes in said second receiving body.